

## PATENT APPLICATION

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re application of

Docket No: Q88152

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Appln. No.: 10/539,446

Group Art Unit: unassigned

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For:

A SET OF OLIGO-NUCLEOTIDES AGAINST HIV INFECTION AND ITS

APPLICATION IN THE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT OF ACQUIRED IMMUNE

**DEFICIENCY SYNDROME** 

RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO COMPLY WITH REQUIREMENTS FOR PATENT APPLICATIONS CONTAINING NUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCE AND/OR AMINO ACID SEQUENCE DISCLOSURES

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This response is in regard to the NOTIFICATION TO COMPLY WITH

REQUIREMENTS FOR PATENT APPLICATIONS CONTAINING NUCLEOTIDE

SEQUENCE AND/OR AMINO ACID SEQUENCE DISCLOSURES, dated December issued in the above-referenced patent application.

In the Notice to Comply, the Examiner states that the present application fails to comply with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§1.821-1.825 because a computer readable form of the Sequence Listing has not been submitted.

Applicants enclose herewith a substitute Sequence Listing, in paper and computerreadable form copies, that fully addresses the issues raised in the Notice to Comply. RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION TO COMPLY U.S. Appln. No. 10/539,446

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Applicants assert that this Response to the Notice to Comply and the enclosures are being timely filed, and that the enclosures bring the present application in full compliance with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§1.821-1.825.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner acknowledge that the substitute Sequence Listing meets the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§1.821-1.825 and that the Examiner enter the substitute Sequence Listing.

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